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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2003, setting forth a requirement for restriction, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group I, Claims 6-10 and 18, drawn to isolated polypeptides.

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